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In re application of : Confirmation No. 5311

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Serial No. 10/527,698 : Group Art Unit 1794

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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SOYBEAN-DERIVED FOOD

MATERIAL AND PROCESSED FOOD : Mail Stop: Amendment

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of May 15, 2008, constituting a restriction requirement among (I) claims 1 and 3, (II) claims 2-5, (III) claim 4, and (IV) claims 6-8, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1 and 3.

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 7 should be grouped with Group III instead of Group IV, since claim 7 is dependent on claim 3, which like claim 1 on which claim 4 depends, is a Group I claim.

Applicants emphasize that the foregoing election is made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claims 2 and 4-8.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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